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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/765,240  
Filing Date: January 26, 2004  
Applicant: Randall M. Marich  
Group Art Unit: 3682  
Examiner: Vicky A. Johnson  
Title: TRANSMISSION AXLE SEAL COVER, LUBRICATION DAM AND ROCK GUARD  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2006, please consider the following: